

September 19, 2006

Re: DW 06-104, Hampstead Area Water Company
Petition for Approval of a Step Increase
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On September 12, 2006, a duly noticed Prehearing Conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the Prehearing Conference were entered by representatives of Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc., and the Commission Staff. The Office of the Consumer Advocate has a right to become a full statutory party but chose not to participate.

Following the Prehearing Conference, the parties and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule which was submitted to the Commission by letter from Staff dated September 12, 2006:

Company will submit revised schedules	09/15/06
Data Requests by Staff/Intervenors	09/26/06
Company Responses to Staff/Intervenors Data Requests	10/03/06
Technical Session/Settlement Conference	10/17/06 at 9:00 a.m.
Settlement Agreement to be filed	10/31/06
Hearing on the Merits	12/12/06 at 1:30 pm.

The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and therefore has approved it. For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this Secretarial Letter as its prehearing order in this proceeding.

Very truly yours,

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary

cc: Docket File